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## MINISTER OUTLINES FACTORS IN CAR SHORTAGE

### FROM 8,000--9,000 MORE CARS NEEDED FOR WEST GRAIN

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#### SITUATION STABILIZED

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By M. McDOUGALL, Press Gallery  
(Special to the Western Farm Leader)

OTTAWA, March 19th.—In the final stages of the debate in Parliament on the Canadian Wheat Board Act, Lionel Chevrier, Minister of Transport, threw additional light on the extent of the shortage of box cars which has been causing difficulties to shippers of grain.

#### Box Car Distribution

He explained in his review that there are now about 117,000 box cars belonging to Canadian lines, of which 44,000 are in Western Canada, 47,000 in Eastern Canada and 26,000 in the United States. Of the 44,000 in the West, 11,000 are being used for transport of grain, the balance for the other commodities. From 8,000 to 9,000 more cars are required for the transport of grain in the West.

In the East the situation is substantially the same, the box cars being used for the shipping of various commodities, including feeds from lake ports and bay ports to the Atlantic seaboard ports. (The Minister mentioned that 18,000 American box cars are in Canada, but the adverse balance of 8,000 cars is offset by a large number of hoppers and refrigerator cars in Canada belonging to U.S. companies.)

#### Why Priority Regulations Ended

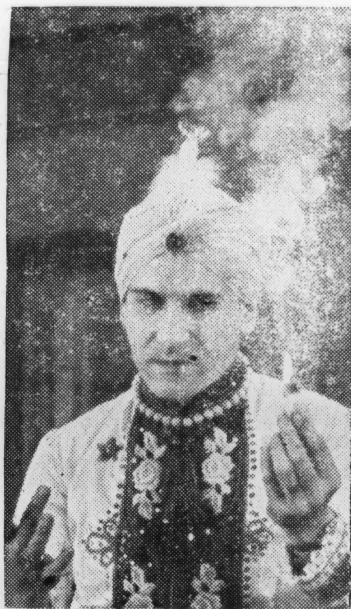
Bad weather in the West in the middle of January complicated an already difficult situation. It was then that the transport controller issued the grain priority order, diverting from 2,400 to 3,000 cars to the West. This eased the situation temporarily, but industries in the East felt the strain to the point that some warned they might have to close their doors. Then the priority regulation was removed leaving the matter squarely with the railways.

Another factor which complicated the transport situation was the coal strike in the United States, when many canals were commandeered during the navigation season for the transport of coal. The railways have had the added burden of moving a great deal of the grain from the lake heads. In face of the great task with all the difficulties that have confronted them, Mr. Chevrier said, the railways have done a good job under the circumstances, "and if the matter is left to them with the assistance of the transport controller I think grain will move freely throughout the country."

Power to Establish Commodity Boards  
Following the passage of the Wheat  
(Continued on page 13)

## New Support Oats and Barley Prices

### Yogi Is Televised



Only city in the world which now has a regular television service available to the public seven days a week, London is the scene of this demonstration by Lenz, the Yogi, in front of one of the British Broadcasting Co-operation's television cameras. Television viewers saw him take a piece of ordinary "cotton wool", and after he had undergone breathing exercises, the cotton, at his suggestion, slowly started to smoke, flamed, and burned itself out. It was a most impressive performance, but it may have reminded sceptics of the recent

### Steel Profits Up 40%

Montreal, Que.—In spite of work stoppages during the year, steel profits in the U.S. in 1946 were 40 per cent greater than in 1945, according to the magazine Steel.

### Dividend Days in Pembina

"Dividend Days", when the savings made through co-operation are distributed to members, are likely to become an institution in Pembina—and perhaps other localities may take to the idea. For the Pembina U.F.A. Co-operative Association, Dividend Days were held during the week of March 10th, at meetings at Barrhead, Westlock, Dapp and Packardville. A total of \$3,500 was distributed, including some \$700 paid to patrons of the recently opened Westlock Co-operative store, on the basis of the first 4½ months' operations. Moving pictures were shown at the meetings, to record attendances. Great interest was shown in brief talks by George MacLachlan, secretary of the Association, Lawrence Proudfoot, Junior U.F.A. President and D. C. Thornton, Educational Director of the U.F.A. Central Co-operative. Attendance at the four meetings totalled over 1,000.

The "Royal Show", of farm stock, produce and appliances, will be held again in 1947 at Lincoln, England. The last show was held in 1939.

declaration of an Anglo-Indian visiting this Dominion that the only place where there has been any genuine demonstration of another achievement of Yogi—the Indian Rope Trick—was in the Canadian Arctic where a wet rope was used during the period of record low temperature. There are now 25,000 television sets in use in the United Kingdom.

## CEASE ADVANCE OF EQUALIZATION PAYMENTS MAR. 18

Barley Support Prices Based on  
90c for No. 1 Feed; Oats 61½c  
No. 1 Feed

### CEILINGS RAISED

Shell Eggs Ceilings Removed,  
Floor Price Raised—Half Cent  
to Cover Package Costs

By M. McDOUGALL  
(Special to the Western Farm Leader)

OTTAWA, March 17th.—To encourage greater production of meats, dairy products, poultry and eggs, the government has made changes in policy affecting oats and barley, as follows:

(1) Effective March 18th, the system of advance equalization payments is discontinued and the Canadian Wheat Board will buy oats and barley at new support prices, the barley price being based on 90 cents for number one feed barley instead of 56 cents; oats 61½ cents number one feed oats instead of 40 cents, in store Fort William-Port Arthur. These support prices will remain to July 31st, 1948.

(2) Price ceilings for all grades to be raised, barley to 93 cents, oats to 65 cents, basis Head of the Lakes or Vancouver.

(3) On deliveries of barley from August 1st, 1946, to March 17th, 1947 inclusive, there will be an adjustment payment of 10 cents bushel.

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## British Tommies Guard Crossroads in Palestine



Above: British Tommies are seen guarding a crossroads leading to Jaffa and Allenby, during the time sections of Palestine were under martial law. Imposed following outbreaks of violence,

martial law was lifted on Monday, British officials stating that the Jewish community had given evidence of willingness to co-operate in stamping out terrorism.

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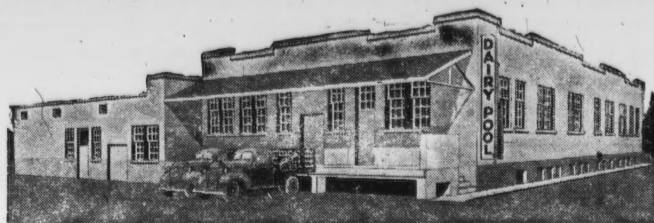
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**Price Increases**

Prices in the U.S. increased more rapidly than in Canada and in Britain, but more slowly than in Sweden, Norway, the Netherlands and Mexico, by the middle of 1946, says a recent report of the International Labor Office. The overall cost of living rose 48 per cent above 1937 in the U.S., states the report, and 32 per cent in the United Kingdom and 26 per cent in Canada. Food prices in France increased nine times over 1937, and in Japan 48 times.

Although classed as "temporary" the new prefabricated aluminum houses which are now coming off British assembly lines, will probably have a life of a hundred years. The 10,000th was recently turned out by former bomber plants.

**SOUTHERN ALBERTA DAIRY POOL SECTION****Reminiscences of an Old Cream Shipper**

By JOSEPH STANDISH, Midnapore

Fellow Members:

It is not the fortune of many of us to have the long experience in the West of Mr. Joe Standish. His reminiscences (he has chosen his own title) I am sure will give every one who reads them a peep into the past and show them a picture which we are all glad has changed for the better. Mr. Standish has just touched the fringe of his experiences and the glimpse he gave us of the days that are gone, was very instructive. I hope at some future date he will be kind enough to contribute another page from his long association with the West for our edification and entertainment.

Thanking you,

*Wm Burns*

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As a milker of cows for over sixty years, I have seen many changes in the business. I have sold butterfat for fifty-three years, with the exception of three years.

**Range Riding Days**

I rode the range employed by John Ware—the famous Nigger John who, I believe, was the first man to rope, throw and tie down a steer in less than a minute at one of the first Calgary Stampedes.

Many a day I have ridden beside George Hoadley, later to become the Minister of Agriculture for Alberta, who was employed at that time by a neighboring rancher by the name of John Quirk. Mr. Quirk owned over two thousand head of cattle, not one of which carried another brand but his own—a Q on right side.

While I could tell of many changes and happenings which would interest the reader and bring back many pleasing memories to myself, space will not permit.

I remember in 1893 shipping to a combination creamery and cheese factory located half a mile east of Innisfail, and run by two men by the name of Powell and Howard. We used to take our whole milk to the plant and it was separated with a centrifugal cream separator. There were fans on the spindle and steam was forced through a pipe past the fan to drive the bowl.

**Returns in Those Days**

After we took our skim milk home, the foam hardened almost like rubber. We did not get very much of a return. I do not remember getting any cash—just an order on the general store run by G. W. West in Innisfail.

We could get cheese on account; also I milked nine or ten cows and it took all they produced to keep me. I was batching and living alone. It has since been a mystery to me how I ate so much.

However, after three years I moved to near Calgary and shipped for a while to a creamery in east Calgary run by the Government. Returns were very much better

then, but nothing to crow about. I was shipping to Pete Pallesen on Eleventh Avenue West in (Continued on page 5)

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RECALLING impressions formed overseas, when he attended the Convention that organized the International Federation of Agricultural Producers, Hon. J. E. Brownlee, K.C., LL.D., presented at the U.F.A. Convention a brief appraisal of Britain's position in the world today and discussed British-Canadian relationships. Below we conclude our outline of Mr. Brownlee's address.

There was little evidence of malnutrition in England, and none of disease caused by shortage of food. Not lack of food so much "but the sneer monotony of the daily diet gets one." Even in one of the best hotels in London, one had little but fish for breakfast, lunch and dinner, but it was the ordinary householder who had to live on his ration who really suffered from monotony.

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than when the British Government decided to permit a large quantity of grain purchased for England to be sent to the continent to meet the greater distress there. The people were told to tighten their belts still more.

"I have heard it said that over the years Britain has developed a great sense of responsibility for the well-being of the world. I thought I saw in that move some evidence of that sense of responsibility."

### Canada Stands High

Whereas in 1927, Mr. Brownlee had returned from England somewhat discouraged by the deplorable lack there of information about Canada, "this war has changed all that. There is a more intelligent interest in Canadian affairs, and everywhere I went among businessmen, bankers, City fathers and men of affairs, I found that Canada stood very high indeed." The position of 1927 had been reversed, in that "Canada stands far higher among all ranks than does the United States of America."

Mr. Brownlee quoted from a publication of the British News agency, *Reuters*, pointing out that "Canadian wheat kept this country from starvation during the war and is still doing it," and that "Canada is lending us the money to pay for it and with infinitely less palaver than occurs in another place."

Considering what contribution Britain could make to the world in the next few years, Mr. Brownlee discussed its outlook and international position. Believing that the theatre is the expression of the outlook of a people he found it significant that the most popular production in London last summer was "Merry England" (a revival) treating of England in the time of Queen Elizabeth. On the evening when he had asked himself what this might indicate, a lady of culture and refinement had expressed the fear that "the glory of England is gone forever". He met that view also among some businessmen who feared for Britain's trading position; but, he added, "I am sure that those who spent some weeks there with me will agree that it is not the viewpoint of the mass of the British people."

### "Big Ben, Big Ben"

The speaker quoted from the play "Big Ben" by A. P. Herbert, "probably England's greatest humorist", which was billed in London after he left but which he had since had the pleasure of reading. In light verse the older and the younger outlook on life were contrasted—and at the end the chorus of old and young joined in these closing words:

"Big Ben! Big Ben!

The clock they could not kill,  
Chime out again and tell all men  
That England's England still."

There breathed in the new Foreign Minister, Bevin, the same spirit of pride in Britain that characterized Churchill, and those words of "Big Ben" would find a response in the hearts of many.

### "Don't Sell Britain Short"

"So," Mr. Brownlee went on, "I say to those who today look at the rise of Russia and the United States to world eminence and are prone to undervalue the influence of Great Britain:—Don't sell Britain short. Don't even sell it short financially, for while we all recognize that she emerges from the war with an immense burden of public debt and with a staggering burden of taxation, still the people

of Britain have vast resources."

Pointing out that Britain's history and her position as the cross-road of the world have made her internationally minded, Mr. Brownlee said that in the diplomatic as in other fields "experience and knowledge are mighty assets."

The British were great planners, as was learned by those who attended the International Farm Conference in London, where every detail had been worked out and on every question likely to arise the position to be taken by the British delegation had been settled well in advance. Depend upon it, Mr. Brownlee intimated, the British were planning today more thoroughly to meet the problems of tomorrow than any other country, with one possible exception.

### "One of the Anomalies"

While the British people were rooted in tradition, and "there is still a



reverence for royalty and nobility not found in America," one of the "anomalies of England," lay in "the fact of a Socialistic Government among a people which still holds such  
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## IN RIGHT DIRECTION

The Provincial budget for the coming year provides for a very substantial increase in the grants for elementary and secondary education. This action is a step by the Alberta government in the right direction, and it will be widely welcomed. We trust that it will be followed by others, until educational equality shall have been established as far as may be possible throughout the Province. Many rural districts are today severely handicapped. \* \* \*

To the farm people, who through the Alberta Federation of Agriculture and its member units, have pressed for action in the direction of equalization of educational opportunity, the larger vote will be gratifying. The objective they have set before them is of course not yet attained by any means. At the A.F.A., U.F.A. and A.F.U. Conventions, the Government was asked to provide that at least 50 per cent of the costs of education in the elementary and secondary fields should be met from the Provincial Treasury. \* \* \*

This minimum is being sought by the Alberta Educational Council, of which the Farmers' organization are members, together with other Province-wide bodies such as the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts, the Alberta Federation of Home and School Associations, the Alberta Women's Institute, the Alberta Board of Trade and Agriculture, Alberta Educational Association, the Canadian Legion (Alberta Branch), the Imperial Order of the Daughters of the Empire—and many others—all strictly non-partizan bodies. \* \* \*

As the council recently pointed out, the raising of the proportion of costs borne by the Province to 50 per cent would not mean 50 per cent "across the board" for all schools. Because equalization of facilities is desired, cities like Calgary and Edmonton, it is suggested by the Council, might look forward to grants equalling 15 to 20 per cent of their costs, while some other localities—rural and village areas for the most part—might receive assistance up to 75 or 80 per cent of their costs. Actually, as was of course to be expected, the rural districts will benefit most from the increase in grants now to be made.

Under the able and energetic chairmanship of Henry E. Spencer, of Edgerton, the president of the Alberta School Trustees' Association, who is a member of the Central Board of the U.F.A., the Council has been doing an excellent job. As vigorous in its campaign activities as it is non-partizan in its methods, it has educated the public to see the necessity for the attainment of higher educational standards, and in doing so it has made easier the introduction of desirable reforms by the Department of Education. It is interested only in results—not in causing embarrassment anywhere. \* \* \*

## EDUCATION AND LIVING STANDARDS

That there is a very close relationship between educational standards and economic efficiency and prosperity has been established in a remarkable report prepared by the United States Chamber of Commerce, the conclusions of which were ably outlined by the Rev. E. S. Morley, Ph.D., at a recent meeting in Calgary under the auspices of the Alberta Educational Council. A survey made by the Chamber covered all 48 States. Wherever the standard of

## A Prayer for England.

FEBRUARY, 1947

The lights are out again  
Which, two years back,  
Re-lit the streets that lay  
For six years black.  
The furnace fires are drawn;  
The mines are dead;  
The empty cages wait  
At the pit's head.  
The wheels are stilled at last  
Which bravely turned  
While death rained from the skies  
And cities burned.  
And backs which never broke  
Through strain and stress  
Must bear the heavier load  
Of idleness.  
Lord, who loves courage  
And a stalwart heart,  
Take, in this wintry war,  
My people's part.  
Fill with your spirit's warmth  
Each small cold room  
On a small cold island  
Face to face with doom.  
From this last irony  
Release their soul—  
Where foes have failed,  
That ice should claim the goal.  
JAN STRUTHER, in *New York Times*.

education was high, there the standard of living was found to be relatively high also; where the standard of education was low, there also was the standard of living low.

A similar correspondence between educational and economic standards, Dr. Morley showed, was discovered by an investigator—Dr. Clark—appointed by Columbia University to carry out an investigation on an international scale. In general he found that the inhabitants even of countries richly endowed with natural resources, if their educational budget were relatively small, lived on a very low economic level; while the peoples of lands less richly endowed by nature, if their expenditure on education were high per capita, enjoyed comparatively good living standards. The most striking contrasts were provided by Colombia and Denmark. Colombia, with all her natural riches, has been miserly of expenditure for education. Her people have remained poor. Denmark, one of the lands least favored by nature, has been generous in her educational budget, and the standard of living of her people is among the highest in the world.

Considered from the economic standpoint alone, there is good reason to believe that higher educational outlays by Alberta will prove to be the soundest kinds of investment. Let us repeat: the action taken by the Provincial Treasurer is in the right direction. \* \* \*

## JAN STRUTHER'S POEM

"A Prayer for England," by Jan Struther, published on this page, was received by mail from Mrs. Isa Grindlay Jackson a few days ago, with (Continued on page 13)



## Co-op. Wholesale Has Successful Annual Meeting and School

Breaking all previous records of attendance, and revealing gratifying progress and a firm and confident determination to carry the organization forward to new successes in the year ahead, the annual meeting of The Alberta Co-operative Wholesale Association, Ltd., held in the basement of the new warehouse of the Association on 84th Street in Edmonton, proved a most successful gathering. Norman F. Priestley, General Manager of the U.F.A. Central Co-operative reports. Total registration for this meeting and the three day school was 171.

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smoothly and efficiently. Ladies of the office staff catered for lunch, which was greatly enjoyed, and the Annual Banquet was held at the Corona on March 12th, an overflow of 69 persons dining at a room in the building of the Institute of Applied Arts on 109th Street.

Among features of the school discussions was the interesting disclosure

### S.A.D.P. SECTION (Continued from page 5)

Calgary when payment by grade for cream was first started; and believe me it was a great improvement in returns, for every one tried for first grade. There was no Special then—just 1, 2, 3, and off.

### Best Thing That Ever Happened

But to my mind the best thing that ever happened to the cream shipper in Alberta was the starting of the Cream Pools. In the Pool system, the shipper gets what his cream sells for as butter, less actual cost of operation.

We all should know that no firm or pool can know beforehand what it is going to cost to churn the cream into butter and sell it. Therefore, an initial or marked price is set for cream.

With the Pool, any money left after expenses are paid is returned to the shipper after the end of the year. With the private operator it is put in his or his company's pocket. I have no quarrel with the private operators. They served us well when we had no other way of handling our cream; but they did it at a profit—TOO MUCH PROFIT.

Cream wars are no good for anyone, and we have had some in Alberta. While they were hard on the Pools, believe me, the private operators gave themselves an awful beating and did not put the Pools out of existence.

### "Jumper" Gets No Handouts

While a good many farmers ship to the Pools, I cannot understand why more do not. Of course there is and always will be some who are never satisfied, and there is the "Jumper". By "Jumper", I mean the one who is always changing, thinking he will get a little more. It is a fact the creameries soon get to know him and, believe me, he gets no handouts.

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Retiring directors were George E. Church, Balzac, chairman of the U.F.A. Central Co-operative, W. Hoar of Ponoka store and Dan Gamache of St. Paul store. Messrs. Church and Gamache were elected on the first ballot and on a tie occurring between Mr. Hoar and A. Davie of Dawson Creek store, it was decided finally that Mr. Davie should hold the office, the purpose being thus to make the board as widely representative as possible in a geographic sense.

Conrich U.F.W.A. are continuing their clothing drive, and are also collecting meat coupons. At a recent meeting, Mrs. Barker discussed CARE parcels, and plans were made for the June conference.

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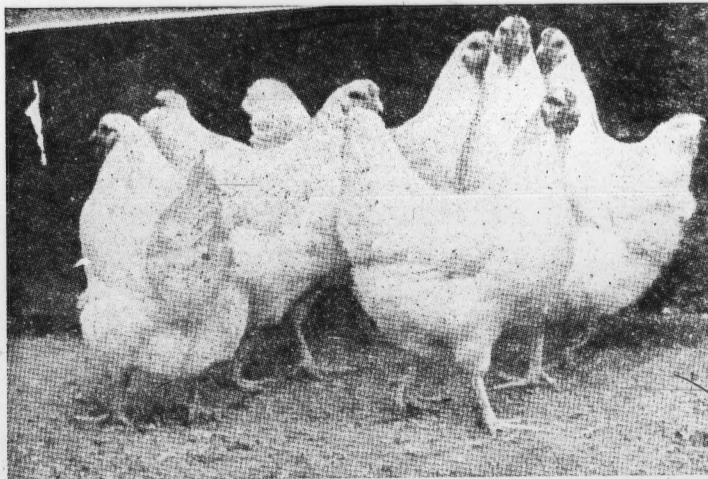
# Central Alberta Dairy Pool Section



SLOGAN FOR TODAY: "More Milk from Every Cow"

## Canada's Position Made Plain

An Editorial from *Canadian Poultry Review*



"AT no time during the war years was Canada's position on egg exports as clear as it is today. The position of the poultry industry is plain as a pikestaff as far as exports are concerned.

**Choice Lies With Industry** three years by the success with which and whether it measures up to its plishes big business, from production present opportunities and potentials to sales, in a business-like way. The will be answered during the next next few years will demonstrate

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## EASY MONEY



It's warble time again—and time for action. Action last year brought to 30,000 Alberta farmers a gain of \$5.00 per head on 800,000 cattle. To 60,000 others, inaction meant loss. The season is short, the prize attractive, and now is the time for every cattle owner to ensure his share of the profits.

The warble or heel fly is Alberta's most expensive cattle pest, and the easiest to control. At this time of year simple treatment is all that is needed. Once the larva has hatched from the egg and entered the host, nothing can stop its 8-month migration through the animal's system. Not until it arrives under the skin of the back and bores its breathing hole can we attack it. There is nothing we can do to stop the inflammation, irritation, discomfort and unthrift which attend the grub's painful course. These effects of last summer's infestation

have by now cost the owner approximately \$5.00 per head in reduced production, damaged hide, and feed wastage.

Thirty thousand Alberta cattle owners avoided all this. It cost them about 5 cents per head—a small expenditure in return for such a handsome dividend. These men highly recommend warble fly control, not only as good business, but as a humane act towards their cattle. Treatment is cheap, easy and completely effective—and IT'S WARBLE TIME NOW!

whether the industry is capable of doing a real job and doing it well.

The day of pieayune exports to Great Britain, hit-and miss when Canada has a surplus and wants to unload it, are past. If that is the kind of business in which Canada is interested she should seek other markets than the British, which is the market for millions of cases of quality eggs produced when the customer wants them most, well graded and packed, handled and shipped under quality-holding conditions. In brief, a specially produced export article for a profitable and almost unlimited market.

### Handling Problems Overcome

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It is apparent, then, that the ball has been passed to the producer and it is his opportunity to carry it for good gains. He is the man who must produce the exportable article for those doing the exporting, to handle with a learned and proved efficiency. The position is plain. The possibilities are intriguing, and failure will mean oblivion to the poultry industry of Canada to the degree that such failure registers. Having weighed the matter well and realizing that inertia could bring about failure, the dark side of the picture can be thrust into the background.

Across Canada, leaders in the industry and the associations with which they are connected are accepting the challenge and rising to it. No one

group can do the work alone; no one branch of the industry can carry the ball without help from the whole team. Producers will have available to them and at their disposal for guidance and help, the "know how" of men who have shown by their own successes, that they have learned what to do and how to do it.

What a great opportunity for Canada's egg producers!

The Province of Ontario has accepted the responsibility as far as this section is concerned, and if preliminary discussions of plans for production are a criterion, there will be a campaign much greater and more far-reaching than anything yet attempted.

The Poultry Industry Exhibition at the Royal Winter Fair furnished the occasion for keen talks among those in every phase of the industry

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CENTRAL ALBERTA DAIRY POOL SECTION

# The Canadian Poultry Industry

## THREE HISTORICAL PHASES

- 1. The period of imports**—Just before, during and immediately following World War I. Boom times, when eggs went to a dollar a dozen—very profitable times for producers proficient in fall and winter production.
- 2. The period of small intermittent surpluses**—The late twenties and thirties. A period of uncertain prices—no one firm with sufficient eggs in sight to make a substantial export commitment—times when extra truckloads of eggs on the Montreal market caused price fluctuations out of all proportion to volume concerned.
- 3. The period of substantial surpluses**—During World War II and since. True Surpluses—Substantial surpluses running to 25-30 per cent of total production, high quality, export volume sufficient to interest any importing country.

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and the conclusion was always the same—it must be done.

**WARNING**—Don't let all this enthusiasm make you think we can promote a substantial increase in poultry population in 1947; the short supplies of both feed grains and proteins just won't take care of them. The program should be more early chicks and fewer late hatched ones—take delivery of your chicks one month earlier. Plan for fall eggs when the contract prices are highest."

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## A.F.A. NOTES

By JAS. R. McFALL

**Farm Forum Meetings.**—Miss Ruth McKenzie, Assistant Farm Forum Secretary, from Toronto, has been visiting in the Province. Miss McKenzie is responsible for the editing of the Farm Forum Guide and in this capacity was anxious to meet with western forums to get their viewpoint and suggestions for improvement.

Your Federation Secretary was able to arrange meetings at Coaldale, Magrath, Claresholm and Stavely. These were small informal meetings with the forum members, but they gave everyone a chance to express their opinions.

Miss McKenzie was highly pleased with the meetings, particularly with the keen interest and co-operation exhibited by the various forums. She wishes to extend her thanks and appreciation to all of those who co-operated and made these meetings possible.

**Federation Directors Will Attend Meetings.**—At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors it was agreed that every effort should be made to inform Alberta farmers of the Federation's activities and organizational set-up. To accomplish this the Directors will accept invitations from member organizations to attend annual or district meetings.

To date invitations have been received from the Mountain View Livestock Co-operative to attend their annual meeting on April 10th. The U.I.D. Cheese Factory Co-operative is holding its annual meeting on March 20th. An invitation was also received to attend a special meeting of the Stavely U.F.A. and U.F.W.A. on March 14th.

The Directors may not be able to accept all invitations, but will make

very effort to do so. Requests should be channeled through the Federation office at Calgary.

**Federation Meets Cabinet.**—The C.F.A. Board of Directors met with the Dominion Cabinet on February 28th to make their annual presentation on behalf of the organized farmers of Canada.

This presentation will be printed in booklet form and will be sent to the Directors of all affiliate organizations. Others wishing a copy can write the Federation office.

New projects for development of Scottish rivers, recently announced by the North Scotland Hydro-electric board, will bring the total annual output from the entire scheme up to 500 million units.

## Canada Year Book

The 1946 edition of the Canada Year Book is now off the press, and copies can be secured from the King's Printer, Ottawa, at \$2 each. (Teachers, university students and ministers of religion may secure paper-bound copies at \$1). A number of special articles deal with wartime accomplishments, and with the transition from war to peace. The book also includes very full statistical and other information on the physical characteristics of Canada, its industrial and financial life, and many other phases of the national life, such as education, social welfare, labor, and general conditions in the country.

Confined to rural districts since 1935, consumers' co-operatives have been re-introduced in the towns of the U.S.S.R.

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## Prizes for Barley King

Four inter-Provincial cash prizes of \$1,000, \$500, \$300, and \$200 will be awarded when the name of Canada's 1946 Barley King is announced, at the Manitoba Winter Fair, at Brandon, April 1st.

Toronto rinks, hotels, theatres, refusing admission because of color, race or creed, will have their licenses cancelled, according to a new regulation of the city commissioners.

## POST-WAR CHRONICLE

**Mar. 6th.**—Storms again strike Britain. U.S. Supreme Court upholds \$10,000 fine on John L. Lewis, reduces United Mine Workers' fine from \$3,500,000 to \$700,000. British governor of Punjab (India) takes over government, following severe communal rioting.

**Mar. 7th.**—British Army seizes 25 Jewish underground leaders in Palestine.

**Mar. 8th.**—10,000 British soldiers help open snowblocked roads. Death toll 192 in Punjab riots, states New Delhi; 580 injured.

**Mar. 9th.**—Rioting spreads to Punjab villages; troops sent in by air, ordered to shoot rioters. *London Times* (Conservative) urges coalition government to prevent economic collapse in Britain.

**Mar. 10th.**—Big Four open meeting in Moscow; Molotov suggests discussion on China. Million sheep said lost in Britain during storms. U.S. bread prices rise; 24-ounce loaf is 17 cents in Atlanta.

**Mar. 11th.**—Britain, U.S., France, oppose discussion on China, at Big Four conference, unless Chinese representatives present.

**Mar. 12th.**—Truman asks Congress for \$400,000,000 for Greece and Turkey, to prevent spread of Communism; also proposes lending American military advisers, possibility of U.S. troops for Greece hinted at. Bevin charges Russia with failure to destroy German naval vessels. Seventy members de-Nazification courts, in U.S. zone of Germany, were themselves former Nazis, is revealed; are removed from office. Sugar ration to be increased by 14 per cent in Canada.

**Mar. 13th.**—Marshall urges united policy on de-Nazification of Germany, at Big Four Meeting. Conscription to continue in Britain at least until 1954. Canada has bought \$30,000,000 worth of U.S.-built airports in northeast, is Ottawa report.

**Mar. 14th.**—Canada, Australia, New Zealand, again press for part in drafting German peace treaty.

**Mar. 15th.**—Chinese government would not take part in any discussions of China by Big Four, Marshall and Bevin informed. Canada confiscated over billion dollars' worth of assets of enemies, illegal organizations, during war; still holds \$320,000,000, is Ottawa report.

**Mar. 16th.**—Marshall suggests exchange of information on China, in place of conference proposed by Molotov. Foreign Ministers release figures on German prisoners held: Russia, 890,532; U. S., 30,976; Britain, 432,295; France, 631,483. Floods harass many British towns, hurricane strikes south.

**Mar. 17th.**—Big Four consider German reparations; U.S.S.R. demands ten billion dollars. Molotov proposes four-power control of Ruhr. Martial law lifted, Palestine. Arab slave trade from Africa increases with reduced British naval patrol, New York hears.

**Mar. 19th.**—Bevin, Marshall, reject Molotov's figure of ten billions for Russian reparations from Germany; deny charges that reparations to that extent have been extracted from western zones. Chungking government claims capture Yunnan, Chinese Communist headquarters. French government faces crisis over Communist disagreement with Indo-China policy. Long term agreement with Philippines gives U.S. right to use military bases.

## Northern Pool Makes Final Payment-Over \$400,000 to Members

Including cold storage warehouses at Edmonton and Vancouver, a milk plant at Dawson Creek, four cheese factories, two butter and cheese plants, the big central processing plant at Edmonton, and 19 country creameries, the Northern Alberta Dairy Pool now operates 29 branches, it was shown in reports presented to the recent annual meeting held in Edmonton. A final payment to producers of over \$400,000 had just been completed, it was stated. The Pool's output in 1946 was upwards of 10,000,000 pounds of butter, a decrease of 10 per cent from the 1945 total; cheese production, of about 1,000,000 pounds, represented a greater drop; however, the turnover of more than \$6,000,000 constituted a record.

C. O. Jevne, Wetaskiwin, and A. E. Pearce, Tawatinaw, were re-elected as directors, and the board later re-elected F. W. Maddock, Entwistle, as chairman.

Due to rising publication costs *Twin Cities Co-operator*, of St. Paul, Minn., is suspending publication as a weekly and will be put out quarterly.



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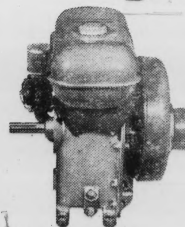
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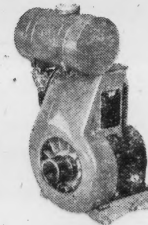
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## At Correspondence School Branch in Edmonton



### (Departmental News)

Above—Some of the 120 teachers of Alberta's Correspondence School under the Provincial Department of Education. Starting with a five-member staff, the organization now employs more than 120 instructors, all qualified teachers with clerical help in addition. More than 10,000 students enrolled for courses last year.

EDMONTON, Alta.—Time was when graduates from the kitchens of Alberta's remote farm homes could point to their culinary achievements with pride, but as for academic powers—well, they just didn't point. They considered themselves lucky if they finished Grade VIII.

The situation is different today. Young men and women living on farms miles away from the nearest schools, are nevertheless graduating from farm kitchens with high school diplomas. They talk plastics, electronics and home economics. Logarithms and current affairs are familiar subjects. They compete for honors with the best products of stream-lined urban schools.

### "Kitchen Academies"

They are students-by-mail, and more than 10,000 of them were listed last year. As students of Alberta's unique Correspondence School branch of the Provincial Department of Education, they are reading lessons and writing examinations in hundreds of isolated "kitchen academies".

"What they lose in social contacts," the instructors claim, "they make up for in ability to concentrate."

Started originally with a five-member staff, the correspondence school organization has grown to remarkable dimensions, employing more than 120 instructors—all qualified teachers—with clerical help in addition.

The war-borne teacher shortage which brought closure to many rural schools, threw additional burdens on the Correspondence branch. But it demonstrated a notable fact: that Johnny and Janey, marooned in the hinterland, are quite capable of learning, provided the instructional material is made ready for them and the mail gets through.

The students are not all children or 'teen-agers. Many grown-ups, bent on improving their education, enroll for the various courses. Students of French, young and old, have opportunities to study the spoken language through programs broadcast from CKUA.

"One of these days, someone is going to ask about my alma mater," a backwoods student said recently. "Won't they be surprised when I tell them I was educated privately—in the corner of the kitchen by Mom's cook stove."

Double summer time began in the United Kingdom on Sunday, March 16th and will continue until November.

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The other afternoon I had the pleasure of having tea with a woman who seemed to have great opportunity to do, and certainly she was making the most of her opportunity and was an enthusiast for her work if ever there was one. It was Mrs. Russell of the Associated Country Women of the World who is making a world tour at present. And while her opportunity was very great she was emphasizing the part the "you's and the me's" could play.

#### Commentary on Public Taste

Talking of the part we women could play in the interests of peace, she commented on the newspapers and what they carried. Only the day before I had been saying that I considered the display given in the daily newspapers to the "Dick" murder trial which is now being held, was a pitiful commentary on the taste of the reading public of our country. We can not sit back and blame newspapers, for the daily press caters to the reading public, she commented, as did I. I did not flatter myself that it was a case of great minds thinking alike, but I was glad to hear someone who is in a position to arouse a great many people to bestir themselves, feeling so keenly on the subject.

One thing she further added was that the literatures that came out from the various international conferences were so often written in the technical or legal language which made for difficult reading and did not encourage study. Intentions were good, but in the end the paper very frequently found itself in the kitchen stove unread after it had been kept on hand for a time.

#### We Have Part to Play

This is being remedied, and it is the intention now to present reports for our information in more easily read form. And it will indeed be to our shame if we can not build up a public demand for this from the newspapers rather than pages of the "Dick" type. We, the stay-at-homes, have a part to play there. For Mrs. Russell reminded us again of what we all realize—we get what we want.

And while there are many things today which are depressing, with talk of strikes and fighting in so many places, she reminded us that one most hopeful thing had happened. Before this time, there have been conferences about wheat prices with financial profit for some as the object in mind. But the world has now for the first time seen the motive of the wheat conference being the supplying of the needs of the people of the world. Surely a great step forward—a world working together planning to supply the needs of its peoples.

Yours sincerely,  
H. ZELLA SPENCER.

Stettler-Warden U.F.W.A. is among those who have endorsed the Alberta Educational Council's resolution asking the Provincial Government to bear 50 per cent of education costs.

Fort Saskatchewan U.F.W.A. recently voted \$10 for a CARE parcel to be sent overseas.

Sunnyvale U.F.W.A. (Heath) was one of those who met with the U.F.A. Local to hear Convention reports.

Many new ideas on kitchens resulted from the roll call at a recent meeting of Camrose U.F.W.A., and Mrs. McNary gave an excellent talk on education.

A new U.F.W.A. Local, "Park Grove", was organized recently in the Vegreville district by Mrs. Torrie, officers elected being Mrs. John Lowe and Mrs. Arthur Ziegler.

Mrs. H. Marr reported on the public meeting to discuss Wetaskiwin high school, and Mrs. R. Young gave a paper on horticulture and read the bulletin, at the March meeting of Hillside U.F.W.A. featured also by

### First Woman Chairman

For the first time in the history of the British House of Commons, a



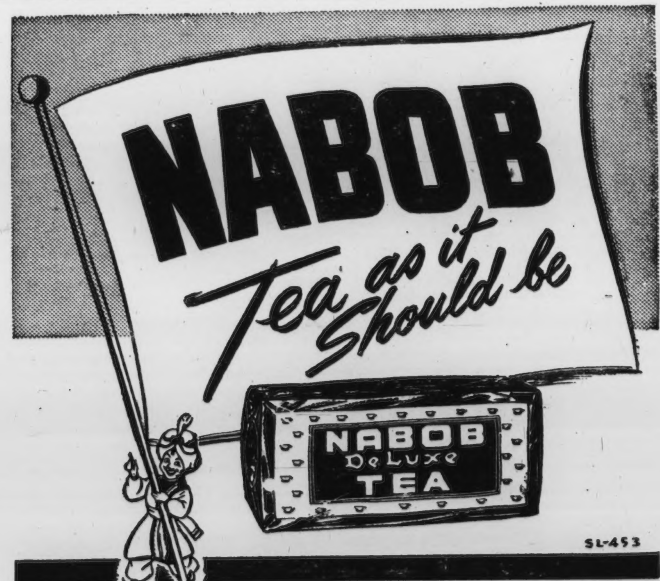
woman has been named by the Speaker as one of the chairmen, of whom there are twelve in all. She is Mrs. Florence Paton, (left) Labor member for Rushcliffe in Nottinghamshire, and a school teacher by profession. Women are being elected to Parliament

in Britain in increasing numbers as time passes. Most of them today are members of the Labor Party.

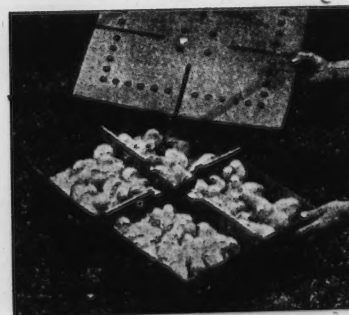
Irish songs. Each member is to bring to the next meeting an article for the fall bazaar.

Clairmont U.F.W.A. appointed Mrs. Morris as U.F.W.A. representative on the local playgrounds committee, after discussion of a playground for smaller children, at the last meeting; it was also decided to sponsor an essay contest for Grades IX and X, on "An Ideal Community."

Sedalia U.F.W.A. are holding a bazaar on April 4th.



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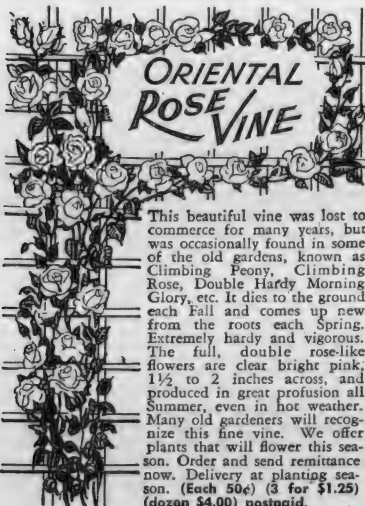


## Farm Home and Garden

**Carrots and Beets** can be successfully stored after dipping in melted paraffin. In our cellar, where previously they shrivelled very soon after the New Year, they have remained in excellent condition well into March. They were rubbed clean after lifting in the fall, trimmed, and dipped into melted paraffin, then stored in boxes, between layers of newspaper. The wax comes off with the peeling; beets as well as carrots were cooked, whole, peeled, in the pressure cooker. If cooked in an ordinary saucepan, they should probably be grated. —Emily B.

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An article on education, by Miss. Jennie Elliott, was read by Mrs. Taylor Jones, at a recent meeting of Arrowwood U.F.W.A. The lunch of chicken noodle soup, crackers, cookies and coffee, was particularly good on such a cold day, writes Mrs. Williams, secretary.

### ANCIENT DEMOCRACY (Continued from page 3)

a deep-rooted affection for things as they have been in the past.

"I am not so sure that this is a bad thing," Mr. Brownlee added. "It does insure a realistic approach to the problems of tomorrow. It does insure that reforms will be undertaken only when tested by experience." The "inevitable gradualness" with which Britain undertook her reforms had been commented on. "To me," said the speaker, "one of the happy omens of tomorrow is that many of the experiments in Social Reform will be made by a people schooled by centuries of democratic growth and by a people not easily swayed by emotion."

### Churchill Most Popular Man

"Finally, the British people are not afraid to enter the field of Social Reform. I presume no one in Canada felt more keenly the defeat of the Churchill Government than I did. I was interested to observe that there is no more popular man in England today than Winston Churchill. In the mind of the average Englishman he is still the personification of 'bulldog' courage and tenacity. In my own mind, at least, I have since come to the conclusion that it may be a good thing for the world that a Labor Government will be in office for the next few years. We are living in a time of Social Planning. Many adventures will be taken into new fields of Social Reform. We are bound to see some adventures into the field of State-Ownership or State-Control. On the one hand we see the rise of a great power, which has purged to the

## Junior News Items

An amateur program and novelty sale, and a skating party were among successful recent events arranged by Happy Gang Junior U.F.A. (Camrose).

Messrs. Proudfoot, Shaw and D. Thornton were invited to speak at a public meeting planned by Marianne Juniors (Sylvan Lake) recently. Books on hobbies are being secured, and it is hoped to make enough articles to hold a bazaar.

utmost the theory of State-Control and State-Ownership. On the other hand we see an equally great power which still pursues to the utmost the ideal of individual effort.

### Working Out Own Salvation

"Between these two great extremes of Social and Economic ideals Great Britain is working out its own salvation. It is working out its affairs among a people schooled as no other people are in the long tradition of democratic government and democratic action. It may well be that the people of that country will, as they did at the time of the French Revolution, quietly and with an absence of internal trouble or violence, point the way to those standards of economic reform which will be a happy meeting-place between the views of the extreme left and the extreme right, and which will be the standards for the world for the next few generations at least.

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### The Wheat Situation

By LEONARD D. NESBITT,  
Superintendent of Publicity,  
Alberta Wheat Pool

The European wheat production is mostly of the winter wheat variety. The weather in Europe during the past winter has caused a lot of crop damage. While spring wheat seedings may be increased substantially, yields from such plantings are never as great as from winter wheat. Prospects are that the wheat shortage in that continent will continue for another year at least.

#### Speculative Boom

This situation has resulted in the building up of a speculative boom in the United States grain exchanges. Day by day wheat prices have been shooting upwards. On Monday last wheat on the Chicago market reached a 30-year peak. The Canadian Wheat Board advanced the price of No. 2 wheat to \$3.10 a bushel. No. 2 wheat is that wheat which is sold to other countries than Great Britain. Great Britain buys Canadian wheat at \$1.55 a bushel, and this is known as No. 1 wheat.

#### Needs 900 Cars Daily

The Canadian Wheat Board is engaged in a struggle to get wheat moved from the interior prairies to seaboard. The railways are overwhelmed with freight, but the Board says it needs 900 cars a day to get the required wheat to tidewater. Empty ships awaiting grain cargoes are lying in Vancouver harbor. To move enough grain from Alberta alone to supply grain cargoes will take 400 cars a day. A lot of tough grain in Northern Alberta may spoil if it is not moved right away.

Reports from the United States main winter wheat belt continue to be favorable. So far that crop has had a lot of luck and may turn out to be a record breaker.

Spring is opening up on the Canadian prairies, and prospects are for an increased grain acreage this year.

### Most Promising Early Wheat Bred - for North Alberta - to Sow 200 Bus.

Two hundred bushels of the new "Saunders" wheat—all that has so far been produced—will be sown this spring at the Dominion Experimental Stations in Lacombe and Beaverlodge.

Described as the most promising early wheat yet bred for northern Alberta, the new variety was created at Central Experimental Farm and development was speeded up by growing two crops a year in greenhouses. For five years the most promising seed produced was tested in the Peace River area, and for four years in other parts of the West.

Saunders wheat matures three days earlier than Thatcher, and five and half days earlier than Marquis; it is resistant to stem rust and loose smut, and moderately resistant to bunt, leaf rust and root rot. The new variety was named in honor of Dr. William Saunders, first director of the Experimental Farms Service, and his son, Sir Charles Saunders, first Dominion Cerealists, who developed Marquis, the first early wheat.

### Ask Larger Subsidies

Increased domestic subsidies of \$1.02 per 100 pounds were asked by representative of the Canadian sugar-beet industry at a meeting with Finance Minister Abbott last week. They were confident such a subsidy would boost Canadian sugar production by 50 per cent.

A profit of \$60, from their bazaar and tea, was reported at a recent meeting of Craigmyle U.F.W.A. Donations were made to the United Church at Craigmyle, and to the Homeless Children's Fund, in Ottawa.

### The Dairy Market

Creamery butter production in Alberta, while still less than a year ago, is gradually approaching the 1946 volume, states Provincial Department of Agriculture. Locally, prices continue at the ceiling: 40 cents for prints, 38 cents for butterfat, plus 10 cents subsidy. Montreal and Toronto quotations are 40 cents, Vancouver 39 1/4.

### Livestock Markets Review

EDMONTON STOCKYARDS, March 18th.—There was good action on the cattle market throughout the past week, with prices fully steady to strong, receipts very moderate. High for the week was \$14.50 for one lot of strictly choice steers, bulk trading \$13.50 to \$15 for choice; good to choice heifers \$12 to \$13. Cows traded at \$10 to \$10.50 for choice, bulls \$8.50 to \$10.75. Grade A hogs sold at \$21, sows liveweight \$15.

CALGARY STOCKYARDS, Mar. 18th.—Hogs steady at \$21.25, rising today to \$21.50, sows \$15.75 liveweight. Good lambs \$13 to \$13.25, good ewes \$6.50 to \$7. Good to choice steers \$13.75 to 14.25, down to \$11 for common; good to choice heifers \$12.75 to \$13.50, down to \$10 for common; good cows \$10 to \$10.50, down to \$8.50; canners, cutters, \$6; good bulls \$10.25 to \$11, down to \$9 for common to medium. Good to choice veal calves \$12.50 to \$13.50, down to \$10 for common; good stocker and feeder steers \$11.25 to \$12.25, down to \$10 for common.



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**CAR SHORTAGE***(Continued from page 1)*

Board Act, providing for the continuation of the Wheat Board for at least the duration of the present wheat contract with Great Britain, an act has been introduced in the House which continues the powers of the Government to sell or export agricultural products to Governments or governmental agencies of other countries. The orders and regulations which gave the power to make contracts and to carry out the terms of these contracts have been under the terms of the National Emergency Transitional Powers Act. This act expires on March 29th, (an extension to May 15th is contemplated) and it has been necessary to give the authority under a specific statute. This new act gives the Minister the authority to establish commodity boards, such as have been operating, to carry out the terms of the contracts.

During the past few days a ship has been loading at St. John, New Brunswick, the first cargo of potatoes under the large contract with Britain. This contract is of great importance to the Maritime Province producers, as the potato crop holds a parallel position, though on a much reduced scale, in that part of the country to the wheat crop in the West.

**Help Potato Growers Meet Emergency**

The contract, which is for 70,000 long tons or 2,611,000 bushels, has helped the Provinces of New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island out of a pretty serious predicament. A very heavy crop was driving prices down below the cost of production. In their dilemma, the producers of the Provinces sent a delegation to Ottawa last October to place their case before the Agricultural Prices Support Board (J. G. Taggart, chairman). The result of the interviews was the decision of the Board (1) to carry on a publicity campaign of various uses to which potatoes could be put, (2) to subsidize the processing of potatoes into starch, (3) to buy all number one potatoes unsold next spring in New Brunswick and P.E.I. This promise gave confidence to an industry which was obviously facing trying times. Then the Board negotiated the contract with the British Ministry of Food. The effect of these things have become evident. This week the producers have been getting \$1.60 per bulk barrel of 165 pounds, which is only 1 cent a barrel under the average of ten seasons beginning 1933-34.

**Alberta Biggest Alfalfa Seed Grower**

The Agricultural Department points out that the Prairie Provinces produced over 90 per cent of the alfalfa seed in Canada last year, Alberta's share being the largest of the three Provinces.

**Now in England**

Ben S. Plumer, Bassano, chairman of the Alberta Wheat Pool, is now in England, to attend the International Wheat Conference which opened March 18th.

**Attends Co-op. Congress**

Norman F. Priestley, general manager of the U.F.A. Central Co-operative Association, Limited, has left for the East to attend the Canadian Co-operative Congress, which opens a three-day session on March 25th. While in the East Mr. Priestley will also attend a meeting of the Committee of Evangelism and Social Service, of the United Church. He is the representative from the Alberta Conference on the Committee.

**EDITORIAL***(Continued from page 4)*

this comment: "This is my idea of a really excellent poem and it is so much in keeping with the sentiments of *The Western Farm Leader* that I thought you might like to use it." She added that she would be glad to resign the space which her sonnet usually occupies on the editorial page for this reprint. We have followed her suggestion. Her own fine poem, "Spring Comes to Deep Cove, B.C."

**BARLEY-OATS PRICES***(Continued from page 1)*

As there has been a loss in the barley equalization account for 1946-47 crop year, no further payments this account will be made. In the case of oats the equalization account will remain open and profits if any will be distributed.

(4) Handlers and dealers will be required to sell to the Wheat Board on the basis of existing ceiling of 64 3/4 cents barley and 51 1/2 cents for oats, all stocks midnight March 17th.

(5) For the time being, payments of 10 cents per bushel of oats and 25 cents per bushel of barley will be made within the same conditions as 25 cents on wheat purchased for feeding purposes.

(6) The Wheat Board, either directly or through agents, will become sole exporter of oats and barley.

Removing of the ceiling on shell eggs, due to increased feed costs, is also announced. Floor price for eggs is increased by one cent a dozen for period last February to August, and two cents for September to January inclusive. In addition, provision has been made for half a cent a dozen increase to cover increased cost of packages.

**Stored Products Insect****Laboratory Established**

Establishment of a Stored Products Insect Laboratory at Winnipeg has been announced by Dr. K. W. Neatby, of the science service of the Dominion Department of Agriculture. This new laboratory will investigate methods for control of insects which attack food-stuffs in storage, during processing, or during transport, states a recent bulletin of Line Elevators Farm Service. In Canada, of course, damage to stored products by insects is only a fraction of that in such countries as India; but the danger is real enough, for all stages of cereal production, from the farm granary to the housewife's kitchen, are subject to infestation. New insecticides and insecticidal methods will be tested by the new laboratory.

will be published in our next issue.

**HARDLY WORTHY OF COMMENT**

We agree with F. W. Ransom, secretary of Manitoba Pool Elevators, that the remarks of one Sir Waldron Smithers who charged Canadian wheat farmers with lying in wait to collect the utmost from hungry Britain "are hardly worth commenting on, their absurdity is so apparent."

Sir Waldron's remarks revealed ignorance and stupidity, and were without warrant; but he is only one man and there's good reason to believe that practically all the people of Britain disagree with him.

After all, remarks about the British, just as ignorant, just as stupid, just as unwarranted, are made in Canada not infrequently, even in our House of Commons; but in general the British people and the British press don't waste energy or space upon them, even in rebuttal.

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By Sydney May

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Ah, well, Mary, don't forget that in the Spring a young man's fancy lightly turns.

Yep, sez Li'l Goldilocks, our office vamp, but as far as my experience goes, it turns just as easily in summer, autumn and winter. And not only turns, it darn well twists most of the time.

## WAIL FROM WALLY

Wally, our incurable bach., declares that some guys are so dumb you'd have to kill 'em to bring them to their senses.

Or marry them, laughs Sophisticated Sally.

Sending kisses in letters is not very satisfying, opines Lizzie the Lynx. Nope, she says, "I prefer to receive mine by Direct Male."

## HOW'S THAT AGAIN? DEPT.

(From an announcement of a showing of paintings)

The psychic movement behind this young painter's work is that of abstraction as a synthesis of naturalistic details, fused with the smooth planes and mathematical shapes of pure abstractionism tending to form the backgrounds. Whereas his paintings sometimes have the air of containing contrivances, these contrivances are eliminated from the three dimensional world by their idiosyncratic mixture with flat shapes (voids or planes) and ambiguously modelled volumes.

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—Picked up by the New Yorker

As an artist, we thank the sprightly New Yorker for calling attention to where we must be falling down. Nevertheless, we shall continue to paint our pictures so that our patrons can understand 'em. You ask the boss! of this great family journal. (Can't speak for the boss, Sydney, but for my part I say, Go right on! That's the way I like 'em—like the one of yours in my office from which I get much pleasure.—Ed.)

Perhaps the reason some people are slow in picking up lunch checks, intimates the Bad Egg of Crow's Nest, is because they have a slight impediment in their reach.

According to Knotty Frankie, many a wallflower would be popular if she'd shed a few petals and show her stems.

## ISN'T IT THE TRUTH

A lot of footprints on the sands of time have been blotted out by newspaper headlines.

And in case the W.T.P.T. Board doesn't know it, it isn't "chicken feed" the poultrymen are having to pay out these days to feed their birds.

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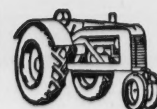
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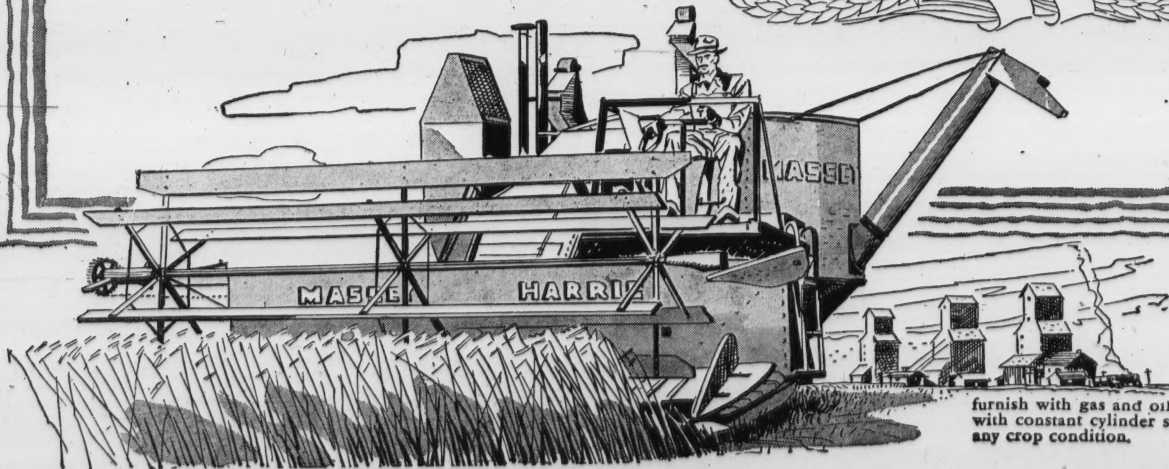
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